

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH
MAJOR GENERAL BRIAN L. TARBET
Utah Army National Guard



Major General Brian L. Tarbet was appointed as the Adjutant General of Utah, effective 1 October 2000, with responsibility for the 6500 soldiers and airmen of the Utah National Guard and the Veteran's Affairs Division of Utah.

Major General Tarbet was born June 7, 1949 in Logan, Utah. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Utah State University in 1973, a Juris Doctorate from the University of Utah in 1978, and was a National Security Fellow at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, in 1999. His military education includes The Adjutant General Officer Basic Course, 6th US Army, Tactical Intelligence Staff Officer Course, The Military Intelligence Officer Advanced Course, 6th US Army, Counter Terrorism Course, United States Army Command and General Staff Officer Course, Military Intelligence Pre-Command Course, and the United States Army War College.

Major General Tarbet began his military career as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve March 23, 1973, and served on active duty from September 1973 to July 1975 and then joined the Army National Guard as a First Lieutenant in September 1976. From 1976 to 1982, Major General Tarbet served in various language sections of the 142nd Military Intelligence Battalion. He became the Central European Platoon Leader, Company A, 142nd Military Intelligence Linguist Battalion in 1982, Assistant Operations and Training Officer, 142nd Military Intelligence Battalion, 1984, Operations and Training Officer, Headquarters 142nd Military Intelligence (Linguist) Battalion in 1988, and the S-3 Officer, 300th Military Intelligence (Linguist) Brigade in 1988. He assumed command of the 142nd Military Intelligence (Linguist) Battalion, 1989, and became the Deputy Commander, Headquarters 300th Military Intelligence Brigade Linguist, 1992. Major General Tarbet became the Brigade Commander, Headquarters 300th Military Intelligence Linguist Brigade in 1993, and Commander, Troop Command, Utah State Area Command, 1996. He assumed his duties as Adjutant General in 2000. In 2002, he commanded the 4500 National Guard troops from 25 states which provided security to the Winter Olympic Games held in Salt Lake City. Since September, 2001, Major General Tarbet has directed the mobilization, deployment and re-deployment of virtually all units of the Utah Army and Air National Guard in support of the global war on terrorism. He is currently serving as a member of the Secretary of the Army's Reserve Forces Policy Committee.

Major General Tarbet's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star), Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass), Army Service Ribbon, and the Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon. State awards include the 2002 Winter Olympic Games Service Ribbon and the Utah Medal of Merit.

Major General Tarbet and his wife, the former Mary Stewart, reside in Kaysville, Utah. They have three sons, Nicholas, Christopher, and Alex, and two daughters, Kate and Brooke.